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FOLLOWING FROM AMCONSUL TRIESTE 0397 AUG 25 TO AMEMBASSY ROME  
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FOR YOUR INFO  
QUOTE  
UNCLAS TRIESTE 0397

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJ: POSSIBLE THREAT AGAINST US CONSULATES AND  
EMBASSY ROME

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 11.10 HRS ON AUG 25, A MAN ENTERED THE  
CONSULATE WAITING AREA, APPROACHED THE COUNTER, AND DEMANDED  
A PASSPORT AND VISA (SIC) FROM A CONSULAR EMPLOYEE SO HE  
COULD GO TO THE U.S. HE THEN THREATENED TO KILL THE EMPLOYEE  
IF THE LATTER DID NOT DO AS REQUESTED. THE MAN APPEARED TO  
HAVE A WEAPON IN HIS HAND, COVERED BY A JACKET OR COAT.

2. TRIESTE POLICE, BASED ON INFORMATION AND A PHOTOGRAPH  
PROVIDED BY YUGOSLAVIAN POLICE, HAVE IDENTIFIED THE MAN AS  
DUILIO (OR GIULIO) VALENTA, BORN IN ISTRIA, YUGOSLAVIA  
15 JULY 1949, APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET 8 INCHES, MUSTACHE, TAN,  
THIN FACE WITH SUNKEN CHEEKS. HE WAS WEARING A BEIGE  
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SHIRT. VALENTA EMIGRATED TO THE U.S. IN 1965 AND SPEAKS  
ENGLISH WELL.

3. VALENTA MURDERED A MAN IN YUGOSLAVIA ON AUG 24. TRIESTE  
POLICE SUSPECT HE IS THE SAME MAN WHO ROBBED A TRIESTE BANK  
ON AUG 25. HE ALSO SERVED FIVE YEARS IN PRISON IN TAMPA  
FLORIDA FOR ROBBERY.

4. TRIESTE POLICE SUSPECT VALENTA MAY APPROACH OTHER  
CONSULATES IN ITALY. WE HAVE INFORMED SY ROME, WHICH  
ADVISES ALL U.S. CONSULATES AND THE EMBASSY TO TAKE APPROPRIATE  
PRECAUTIONS. SCACCHITANO  
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